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POST FOR DEA, SECSTATE FOR S/NM, DEA HQS FOR BENSINGER/ADMINISTRATOR, MILLER/AD, CASEY/EN FROM RD WARNER

E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: SNAR TK

SUBJECT: PROPOSED DEA/FBI MERGER

REF: (A) DEA 18438 (DTG 211817Z JUN 77), (B) TEHRAN 5596 (DTG 260856Z JUN 77)

- 1. EMBASSY FULLY CONCURS WITH TEHRAN CABLE 5596.
- 2. IN TURKEY, DEA HAS ESTABLISHED A WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TURKISH NATIONAL POLICE (TNP) AND JANDARMA UNDER VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. ALL BILATERAL ACTIVITIES ARE COMPLICATED BY THE OVERALL POLICY ISSUES WHICH AFFECT US/TURKISH RELATIONS. THIS INCLUDES COOPERATION IN NARCOTIC TRAFFICKING INVESTIGATIONS. THE CONTINUING COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEA AND THEIR TURKISH COUNTERPARTS IS BASED AMONG OTHER FACTORS ON AN ACCEPTANCE BY THE GOT THAT DEA IS A PROFESSIONAL NARCOTIC INVESTIGATIVE AGENCY REPRESENTED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, WITHOUT OTHER, OR HIDDEN RESPONSIBILITIES, CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING ACTIONABLE INFORMATION QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY, THERE IS NO QUESTION IN OUR MINDS THAT WERE DEA TO BE MERGED INTO THE CONFIDENTIAL

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FBI, IMMEDIATE SUSPICION WOULD BE AROUSED NOT ONLY IN PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS BUT IN LESS KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIALS AND IN THE PUBLIC MEDIA. EXPLOITATION OF THIS BY DIVERGENT POLITICAL INTERESTS COULD BE EXPECTED AND WOULD BE EXTREMELY DAMAGING NOT ONLY TO USG NARCOTIC ACTIVITIES BUT COULD SIPLL OVER INTO OTHER AREAS AS WELL.

3. THIS POST WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE BEING KEPT ADVISED ON FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING THE DEA/FBI AND MERGER PROPOSAL.
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